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PATENT APPLICATION

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Case: Matthews 5
Title: Short Haul Optical Communications

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3 Formal Sheets of drawing(s)
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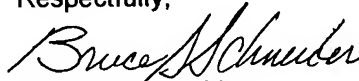
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Multiple Dependent Claims, if applicable			+ \$280 =	\$0
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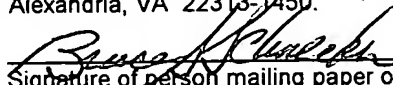
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